SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 594 Searchable Budget Data Website by Senator Aronberg

Cites this act as the "Taxpayer Transparency Act." Requires the Office of Policy and Budget in the Executive Office of the Governor to create a searchable budget data website. Specifies factors to be used to search the website including, but not limited to, the name and principal location or residence of the recipient of state funds, the amount of funds expended and dispersed to a recipient, and the funding or expending state agency.

Requires all state agencies receiving and dispersing appropriated funds to recipients to provide the state budget office with necessary data.

Requires that, effective July 1, 2010, and each state fiscal year thereafter, the searchable budget database website must be updated not later than 30 days following the close of the state fiscal year. Requires the state budget office to allow accessibility to the public of all data added to the website for a minimum of 10 years. (See bill for details)